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Dine-in service begins at pubs, bars & clubs

Mysuru, Sept. 1 (RK&DM)- Time to say three cheers as almost all Bars and Restaurants, Pubs and Clubs in the city re-opened today for dine-in service after nearly six months of closure.

However, the seating capacity has been capped at 50 percent and all of them have to ensure strict social distancing norms in the wake of COVID-19.

With the announcement of more relaxations, the Bar and Restaurant owners were busy preparing since Monday.

In accordance with the Union Government's SOP (Standard Operating Procedure) on the preventive and precautionary measures to be taken in Bars & Restaurants, Clubs and Pubs, the State Excise Department last evening issued an order, allowing only up to 50 percent seating capacity for dine-in services.

The SOP directed for maintaining a minimum physical distance of 6 ft when queuing up. Also, seating arrangements must be made in such a way that adequate physical distancing is maintained. Besides, in Restaurants, not more than 50 percent of seating capacity is permitted. The other guidelines included encouraging contactless mode of placing orders and digital mode of payment. Employees and waiters should wear face-masks and hand gloves.

Following the Government's permission, many Clubs and Bars & Restaurants in the city began serving of liquor along with food from today. Likewise, Restaurants too re-opened to a new normal in accordance with COVID-19 SOP.

However, Clubs are not allowed to open up gaming zones and play areas for children.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Mysuru Hotel Owners Association President C. Narayanagowda said that the owners and employees of Hotels, Bars and Restaurants, Clubs, Pubs are happy that the demand for dine-in services has been met.

Hoping that the business will recover to the pre-lockdown days in the next few months, with things slowly returning to normal in other sectors, he said that the sufferings of the owners seems to have ended now with the Government's permission.

Pointing out that all Restaurants have to maintain guidelines such as physical distancing, wearing of face masks, use of hand sanitisers and thermal screening, he was thankful to the Government for permitting serving of liquor along with food in Bars and Restaurants.

It may be mentioned here that although Restaurants attached with Bars reopened in the first week of June after relaxation in lockdown norms, they were until now allowed to serve only food and not liquor.

Nation mourns Pranab Mukherjee

Seven-day mourning; Last rites held

Pranab Mukherjee

New Delhi, Sept. 1- Nation paid rich tributes to former President and *Bharat Ratna* Pranab Mukherjee (84), who passed away at an Army Hospital here on Monday.

Condolences are pouring in from various quarters remembering Mukherjee for his contributions to progress of the country. Known as a simple and ever-smiling person, Mukherjee had carved a niche in the hearts of millions of people for throwing open the doors of the Rashtrapati Bhavan.

The Government of India has announced seven-day mourning while the Government of West Bengal has declared a holiday today as a mark of respect for the departed soul.

The Union Cabinet today condoled the demise of Pranab Mukherjee and also observed silence for two minutes as a mark of respect.

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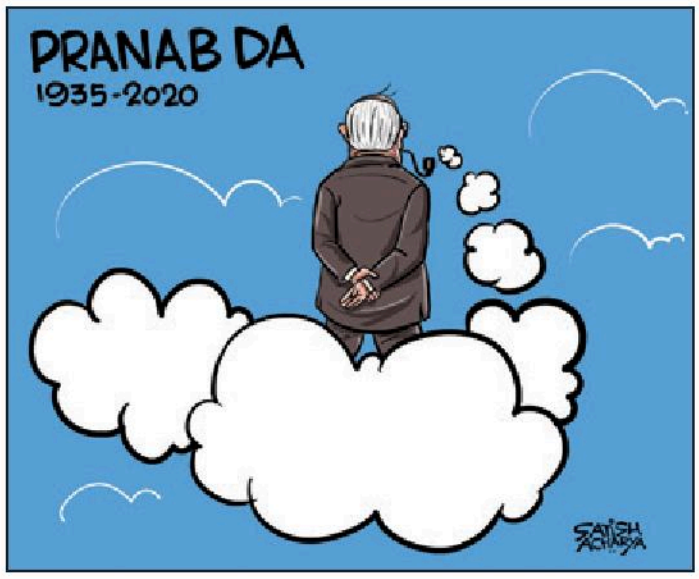
STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya



Mysuru COVID-19 UPDATE

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	405
Total positive cases	:	17,949
Discharges yesterday	:	368
Total discharges	:	12,753
Deaths yesterday	:	6
Total deaths	:	444
Total active cases	:	4,752

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 1st September 2020

Capacity-building training for Resource Persons

Mysuru, Sept.1- JSS Jan Shikshan Sansthan, Mysuru, had organised a capacity-building training programme for part-time Instructors who will conduct vocational courses at various places of Mysuru district, in collaboration with JSS Women's Polytechnic, Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Government of India.

As part of action plan for dress-making course 2020-21, the Sansthan imparted sewing machine basic repair training to the Resource Persons.

Mahadevaprasad welcomed. D.M. Shashikala, Director, JSS Jan Shikshan Sansthan, explained about taking COVID precautionary measures in the training centres. Puttaswami, Resource Person, JSS Women's Polytechnic, gave demo of joining and repair of different parts of the sewing machine.

In the second session as part of 105th Jayanti of Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji, JSS Jan Shikshan Sansthan organised a written question-answer session for part-time Instructors.

Channabasappa, former Director, described the achievements of Sri Rajendra Mahaswamiji citing many examples.

The third session was a demo on sanitiser preparation, which one can prepare easily at home. 25 resource persons and all staff of Jan Shikshan Sansthan participated in this programme.

JSS Jan Shikshan Sansthan was conceived as an institute for conducting skill upgradation programme in non-formal mode in rural and urban slums of district.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

But for the Indian parent and his or her 'pride and joy', a spectre is haunting campuses — the spectre of COVID-19. With US and British Universities — not to mention institutions across the world that depend largely on foreign students (four of Australia's top Universities, for instance, rely on foreign students for a third of their income) — severely restricted or even shut down, with no idea of how things will shape up post-COVID, many are asking a strikingly simple question: Is studying abroad worth it? While the numbers of one postgraduate in three, and one undergraduate in seven, studying fully online in the US may arise out of COVID necessity, the question is whether students will be willing to pay an estimated annual tuition fee of around 55,000 dollars for what would largely be a top-certified online masterclass. Are you willing to pay the same monthly maintenance fee indefinitely in your building society complex minus lift, parking, security, gym and pool services? *— Indrajit Hazra in The Times of India*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Flying car takes successful test flight

Tokyo: A Japanese company unveiled its prototype flying car to the public with a 4-minute test flight.

SkyDrive Inc. announced the successful test flight of its SD-03 flying car model at the Toyota Test Field in Toyota, Japan.

The single-seat flying car, billed as the world's smallest electric vertical takeoff and landing model, took flight for about 4 minutes.

The vehicle resembles a motorcycle with four attached propellers giving it the power of flight. The SD-03 is currently capable of maintaining flight for about 10 minutes and the company is now aiming to expand that time to 30 minutes. the flying car company said that it is aiming to have a commercially available version of the car completed by 2023.

Man with shoe fetish stole 126 flip-flops

Nonthaburi: A man has been arrested in Thailand for allegedly stealing his neighbours shoes in order to have sex with them.

Theerapat Klaiya, 24, had a fetish for flip-flops and was found with a staggering 126 pairs that he had pinched from locals in Nonthaburi, central Thailand, Police said. Officers identified Klaiya using footage from CCTV set up outside his latest alleged victim's home. When they searched the man's home, they found his sprawling collection of shoes that he claimed he had been collecting for more than two years.

Klaiya said he would wear them around his home as it turned him on, Police claimed. Police said his collection included dozens of different brands, sizes and colours of shoes, all of them well worn. The vast array of footwear was laid out in front of the Nonthaburi Police Station as part of a press conference recently.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What is a Neti Pot?

Those who take their nasal rinsing seriously use a neti pot. Others (like me) simply use a coffee mug. Fill the neti pot with saline solution, then tilt your head to the side and pour the solution into one nostril and let it drain out of the other nostril. Repeat in the other nostril. Rinse once or twice a day to avoid sinus problems. Look online for more detailed instructions.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Prof. AVN releases Dr. Manik Bengeri's book 'Sangeet-Naatya-Panchayatan'

FROM LEFT: ***Theatre person Madhav Khare, author Dr. Manik Bengeri, Prof. A.V. Narasimha Murthy, Kamalamba Murthy and Printer Sunil Shetty releasing the book in city yesterday.***

Mysuru, Sept.1 - City-based art critic, musician and writer Dr. Manik Bengeri's book titled *'Sangeet-Naatya-Panchayatan'* was released by Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB), Mysuru Kendra Chairman Prof. A.V. Narasimha Murthy at a simple function held here yesterday.

The book is based on the theme of Indian Music, Tansen's contribution, Bharatnatyashstra, Theatre movement in India, Western influence, starting from Bengal Theatre, Hindi Theatre, Gujarati Theatre, Marathi Theatre, Kannada Theatre, Telugu and Tamil Theatre in general and Marathi theatre-music-drama era - glory provided by *Padma Bhushan* Balgandharv of Maharashtra and its impact on Karnataka theatre in particular.

The book consisting of 505 pages has the opinions of five top people from the fields of Literature, Music, History, Theatre and Critic — *Padma Shree* Madhu Mangesh Karnik of Mumbai; Pandit Prabhakar Karekar of Mumbai; Prof. A.V. Narasimha Murthy of Mysuru; Jagadish Kunte of Belagaavi and Prof. Shubhada Shaha of Belagaavi respectively.

Dr. Manik A.V. Bengeri has worked on this book in Marathi language for five years.

Really...?

- ***Grapes are botanically classed as berries.***
- ***Grapes appear in many colours. White, red, black, blue, green, purple and golden.***
- ***There are 60 species and around 8000 varieties of grapes that can be found throughout the world today.***
- ***The two main types of grapes are European and American. They come in seedless and seeded varieties.***
- ***American grapes are available in September and October, while European grapes are available round the year.***
- ***Grapevine develops snake-like tendrils. They support growth of the plant by binding for the nearby objects and structures.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A shop near the District Office put up a sign-board bearing these words: *"Letters typed in three languages."*

The next day, a rival shop across the road displayed a bigger board saying: *"Photostat copies prepared in all languages!"*

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 72.79
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 97.60
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.82
1 Euro	= Rs. 87.25

VOICE OF THE READER

Mukesh remembers Mukesh !

Sir,

Dr. M.S. Natashekar, the city's well-known ENT Surgeon who is equally well-known as a very capable singer himself, has in his recent article on the occasion of the 44th death anniversary of Mukesh, very beautifully portrayed the entry and growth of the legendary playback singer in the glamorous but highly competitive tinsel world *(Star of Mysore* dated Aug. 27).

Dr. Natashekar has in a nutshell not only traced the progression of Mukesh's legacy of songs but has also described their spirit in relation to the theme of the different movies they appeared in, which is very noteworthy. This is something that ordinary music-lovers cannot do easily.

But I am not surprised that Dr. Natashekar has done it so ably because he himself is a gifted singer who has done justice to his love for music and particularly for Mukesh.

He has been entertaining Mysureans over more than three decades with his appearances in almost every one of the well-organised music concerts held in our city, especially the unique and legendary doctors' music programme 'Geeth Gaatha Chal' year after year.

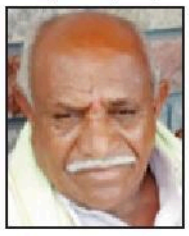
While his rendition of almost every singer's voice is flawless it is when he sings the songs that Mukesh has sung that his best comes out. After hearing him for the first time at one of his programmes, my wife, who is a music-lover, remarked to me that if one listens to Dr. Natashekar with closed eyes it seems as if Mukesh himself is singing before us!

I would like to echo her sentiments and say that we Mysureans are most fortunate that the soul of Mukesh still resides in our own Mukesh who resides right here in our midst! Bravo Dr. Natashekar!

—Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem
Mysuru
30.8.2020

Obituary

Papegowda



Mysuru, Sept. 1- Papegowda (73), a resident of Koorgalli village in the taluk passed away on Sunday in city.

He leaves behind his wife Mayamma, two daughters, one son, brothers and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the family's farm in the village on Sunday.

T. Sridhar Kumar Bhagawat

T. Sridhar Kumar Bhagawat (61), proprietor of Aditya Poultry Farm and a resident of New Kantharaj Urs Road in Kuvempunagar passed away this morning following a heart attack in city.

He leaves behind his mother, wife, one son, daughter-in-law, grandson and a host of relatives and friends.

He was the Founder-Trustee of Ashiyana Orphanage at Shanthinagar, Trustee of Vasavi Shanthidhama, Government Anathalaya and also the ISKCON Temple.

Last rites were performed today at the foot of Chamundi Hill.

Corrections and Clarifications

In the *Abracadabra* titled ***"Nostalgically Speaking — 7: H.S. Shankaralingegowda, former MLA",*** published in *SOM* on 30.8.2020, it was inadvertently mentioned that "Karnataka politics was dominated by two political parties, Congress and Janata Dal (JD)". It may please be read as **Janata Party (JP)** and not JD.

Also the name of one of the three JP leaders mentioned in the column may please be read as **T.V. Srinivas Rao** in Vidyaranyapuram and not T.V. Krishna Rao. The errors are regretted.—**Ed**

Ban on entry to Brindavan Gardens continues

Mysuru, Sept.1- The hopes of lakhs of tourists that the world famous Brindavan Gardens of KRS Dam will open up for them from Sept.1 has been dashed at least for now, as the Government has not given permission for the re-opening of the Gardens for tourists.

The KRS Dam was shut for tourists in March following the enforcement of nationwide COVID-19 induced lockdown and since then it has remained completely closed for visitors. Now with the Government announcing lockdown relaxations in a phased manner and also with the Dam full to the brim with copious rainfall in catchment areas, the tourists and local visitors were hoping that the Dam will be re-opened soon. Even the Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited (CNNL) that is entrusted with the responsibility of maintenance of the Dam, had written to the Government seeking re-opening of the Dam for tourists from Sept.1. But as the Government is yet to respond to the CNNL's plea, the Dam continues to remain closed for the visitors, much to their disappointment.

It may be noted here that Chief Minister B.S.Yediyurappa had offered *bagina* to KRS on Aug.21, after the Dam was full to the brim reaching the maximum level of 124.80 ft.

No international passenger flights till Sept. 30

New Delhi, Sept.1- Even as the Centre announced more relaxations in lockdown 4.0, the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) said that the ban on International flights has been extended till Sept.30.

In a notification issued on Sunday, the DGCA said that the ban on International Passenger flights, which was imposed following the enforcement of nationwide COVID-19 induced lockdown in March, will continue till Sept.30. However, the ban does not apply to Cargo flights.

Two months after the ban was imposed, domestic flights resumed on May 25. But the ban on international flights has continued till Sept. 30. However, flights of Vande Bharat Mission aimed at ferrying Indian citizens stranded abroad will continue and there is no restriction on the Mission flights.

Financial aid for art troupes

Mysuru, Sept. 1- Youth Empowerment and Sports Department, under its Special Unit Scheme and Scheduled Tribe Sub-programme, has invited entries from eligible youths (male & female) and organisations belonging to SC and ST community, to provide grants to those who have won awards in the State-level Yuvajana Mela and the State and National-level Yuvajanotsava programmes.

Those who have bagged the top three (first, second and third) places, in individual category, grants of Rs. 25,000, Rs. 15,000 and Rs. 10,000 will be provided respectively and in group category, to each participant, Rs. 5,000, Rs. 3,000 and Rs. 2,000 grants will be provided respectively.

The Department is also providing financial assistance of Rs. 1 lakh to those youths and organisations of the community who have already been participating in Department's cultural programmes, in an effort to provide financial assistance to buy their costumes, dresses, percussion instruments and other related materials, based on their art troupes.

Applications in prescribed formats along with all relevant documents should be submitted to the Department Office before Sept. 25. For details, contact Office of Youth Empowerment and Sports Department, Chamundi Vihar Stadium, Nazarbad or over Ph: 0821-2564179, according to a release.

Vidushi Indrani Anantharam feted

Well-known musician of the city Vidushi Indrani Anantharam was felicitated by teacher Shilpashree Anilkumar at the monthly 'Tingala Tirulu' programme organised by the city's Samarpana Educational and Endowment Trust at its premises recently. Others seen in the picture are *(from left)* ***Trust Secretary M.S. Balasubramanyam, Bharadvaj, Kanaka Yuva Sene President M. Ravikumar, Social Activist G.P. Harish, Trust Hon. Treasurer and Lecturer Rajendraprasad Honnalagere, industrialist K.M. Theerthaprasad Kestur, Anilkumar and Trust Member N. Koushik.***

NEWS BRIEFS

Art expo till Sept. 5

'Aralu,' the art expo of artist K. Sangeetha, which began at Sri Kalanikethana School of Art in Vijayanagar Second Stage on Sunday, will conclude on Sept. 5. The expo will be open for public from 11 am to 6.30 pm on all the days. An alumnus of Sri Kalanikethana School of Art, Sangeetha is currently working as an art teacher at Gollarabeedu Government School in Sargur of H.D. Kote taluk.

Digital event

JSS Prasada Nilayagala Hiriya Vidyarthigala Gruha Nirmana Sahakara Sangha, Gangothri Layout, Mysuru and Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Nagar, Varuna, have jointly organised a digital event at 9.30 am on Sept. 2 on the occasion of the 105th Jayanti of Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji, to inaugurate the entrance along with a bust of the late Seer and to lay foundation stone for Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Anubhava Mantapa at Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Nagar on T. Narasipur Road in Varuna. The event will be livestreamed on YouTube (http://Youtube.com/c/JSSMahavidyapeethaonline), Face book (https://www.facebook.com/JSSMVP) and JSS website (http://jssonline.org).

Online Meditation

Sri Ravishankar Guruji's Art of Living has organised Online Breath and Meditation Workshop from Sept.9 to 12 from 6 pm to 8 pm and 11 am to 1 pm. For details, contact Mob: 98459-63387.

Ph.D Awardee

The University of Mysore (UoM) has awarded Ph.D in Kannada to R. Shivakumara for his thesis 'Gundlupete Talukina Sthalanamagala Samskrutika Adhyayana' [Guide: Dr. Vishwanatha].

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	123.22 ft
Yesterday	123.54 ft
Inflow	2,792 cusecs
Outflow	5,309 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,282.68 ft
Inflow	1,292 cusecs
Outflow	2,625 cusecs

Harangi Level

(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

Today	2,857.02 ft
Inflow	1,027 cusecs
Outflow	1,935 cusecs

Corona is a money making festival for State Government: MLA Rizwan Arshad

Mysuru, Sept. 1 (PM&KS)- "Corona situation has become a money making festival for the State Government; This is not just a mere allegation, Congress party has relevant documents to prove it," said Shivajinagar (Bengaluru) MLA Rizwan Arshad of Congress.

Addressing a press conference at Pathrakartara Bhavan here yesterday, he accused the State BJP Government of not taking necessary steps to control the spread of the virus in Mysuru though Mysuru city has two BJP MLAs, a BJP MP and BJP Government both in the State and Centre.

"With regards to Mysuru, how many meetings were convened with private hospitals pertaining to COVID treatment and how many beds have been reserved under Government quota in private hospitals?" he questioned.

Continuing, Rizwan said that more than 450 people had died of COVID-19 in the district, according to official announcement and alleged that many COVID deaths have not been announced at all.

He further said that many people unable to go to hospitals have died and added that even in such emergency situation, the State Government is involved in transfer business for which the recent transfer of Mysuru Deputy Commissioner (DC) is an example.

Speaking about Dasara celebrations, Rizwan opined that Dasara should be celebrated symbolically and traditionally, keeping in mind the outbreak of COVID-19.

The Shivajinagar MLA also spoke about alleged scam by the State Government in the purchase of medical equipment and added that many COVID relief packages announced by the State and Central Governments had not reached the beneficiaries and added that the relief package announced by CM Yediyurappa had not even reached 10% of the people.

City Congress President R. Murthy, District President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar, former Mayor Ayub Khan and others were present during the press meet.

Shivajinagar MLA Rizwan Arshad addressing a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan in city yesterday as City Congress President R. Murthy, District President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar and former Mayor Ayub Khan look on.

Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway expansion works

Historical Gadde Ranganatha Temple faces threat of losing identity

Mandya, Sept. 1- The Gadde Ranganatha Temple near the historical town of Srirangapatna on Mysuru-Bengaluru Road is on the brink of losing its identity as it faces the threat of getting covered up due to the expansion works of Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway.

The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has taken up the conversion of Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway into a 10-lane Highway (including two Service Roads).

During the course of the works, NHAI has dumped the excavated earth around Gadde Ranganatha Temple located on the banks of River Cauvery near Srirangapatna. With the dumping of mud all around, the Temple seems almost fully covered on three sides and the iconic elephant sculptures in front of the Temple have already been entirely covered under dumped mud.

The local people have urged the NHAI authorities to stop dumping of excavated earth around the Temple and have warned that the Temple may get fully covered up under the mud if the dumping continues.

Gadde Ranganatha Temple was built by Vijayanagar rulers about five centuries ago with 12 large stone pillars. While the pillars in the front portion are round shaped, the rest are square shaped. Idol of the presiding deity Gadde Ranganatha Swamy is installed in the *sanctum sanctorum* at a height of about 3½ feet.

The locals have rued that despite its historical background, the Temple has not found place in the list of protected monuments. They want the Archaeological Department to come up with plans for the rejuvenation of the Temple.

Learning about the news, State Archaeological Department AEE Kuberappa visited the place and inspected the Temple. Speaking later, he said that a report with regard to the condition of the Temple will be submitted to the Department Commissioner. A case will be registered if the monument is covered with mud or disfigured, he warned.

COVID-19 UPDATE

Mandya

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	159
Total positive cases	:	5,451
Total discharges	:	3,735
Total deaths	:	62
Total active cases	:	1,654

Chamarajanagar

Positive cases yesterday	:	51
Total positive cases	:	2,366
Total discharges	:	1,788
Total deaths	:	36
Total active cases	:	531

Kodagu

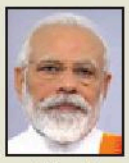
Positive cases yesterday	:	17
Total positive cases	:	1,431
Total discharges	:	1,149
Total deaths	:	21
Total active cases	:	261

Hassan

Positive cases yesterday	:	217
Total positive cases	:	8,052
Total discharges	:	5,313
Total deaths	:	177
Total active cases	:	2,562

PM promotes Channapatna Toys

New Delhi, Sept.1- Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who gave thrust to local toys in his monthly 'Mann Ki Baat' on Sunday last, made a mention of the famous Channapatna toys also.



Modi

Channapatna is in Ramanagara District of Karnataka and has the sobriquet 'Toy City' or 'Gombegala Nagara.'

The outbreak of the deadly COVID-19 pandemic had dealt a crippling blow to Channapatna's Toy Industry. Out of the nearly 200-plus toy making units, only 25 to 30 percent are functioning on a nominal basis owing to lack of demand for toys.

Despite the fact that the pandemic has forced many toy workers to scout for sundry jobs for survival, some toy manufacturers say that diversification and innovation has helped many of them to fare well despite the challenges. Notwithstanding the challenges, including the threat from China, there is a belief that the sector can regain its glory and compete internationally, provided there is Government support like guaranteed higher wages, marketing and other initiatives.

PM Modi's speech during his monthly *Mann Ki Baat* on Aug.30, 2020 is expected to give a push for policy initiatives, including setting up of a Toy Cluster, to shore up financial returns for toy makers and artisans.

CM reacts

Meanwhile, Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa, reacting to the Prime Minister's vocal for local push for the toy sector, has tweeted that the State Government will carry forward the PM's idea by setting up a Toy Cluster at Koppal in backward Kalyana Karnataka region of the State. The facility will have all the necessary infrastructure for making toys to domestic as well as international markets, he added.

Yediyurappa

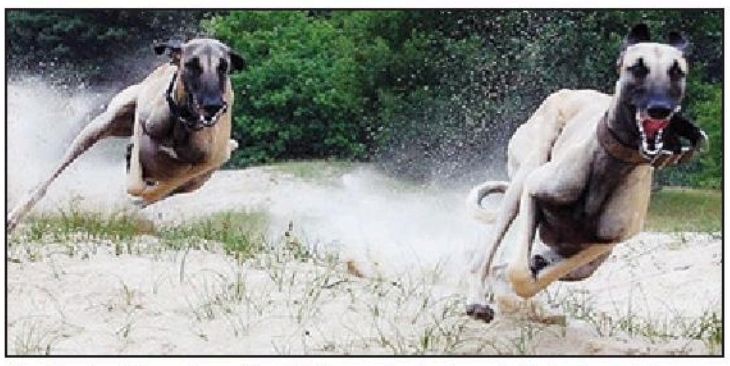
Rahul pooh-poohs Modi

However, hours after the PM's speech on Sunday, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi pooh-poohed Modi saying that the students of the country were expecting the PM to discuss the more complex issue of JEE and NEET exams at a time when the Government has gone ahead with the conduct of the two Nationwide exams despite the rapid spread of COVID-19 pandemic across the country.

Ridiculing the Prime Minister for taking up the 'Toy Issue' while ignoring the serious issue of the conduct of exams, Rahul Gandhi said that the PM discussed 'Khilone Pe Charcha', when the entire country was looking towards him for speaking his mind on 'Pariksha Pe Charcha.'

Mann Ki Baat: Modi asks people to adopt *desi* breed dogs

Also mentions about Mudhol Hounds bred at Mudhol in Bagalkot District of Karnataka



New Delhi, Sept. 1- Prime Minister Narendra Modi encouraged citizens to choose from Indian breeds when considering adopting animals during his *Mann Ki Baat* address on Sunday.

Hailing the role of 'canine soldiers' in the security of the nation and safety of the force personnel, PM Modi lauded the brave Indian Army dogs *Sophie,* a Cocker Spaniel and *Vida,* a Labrador.

Sophie and *Vida* were awarded the Chief of Army Staff 'Commendation Card' on the 74th Independence Day.

The Prime Minister suggested people to bring home indigenous breeds as they require less expense on upkeep and are already well adapted to the country's climatic conditions.

'Mudhol Hound', 'Himachal Hound', 'Rajpalayam', 'Kanni', 'Chippiparai' and 'Combai', are some of India's indigenous breeds, the Prime Minister mentioned. Mudhol Hound is deployed by the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP).

"These dogs have played very important role in stopping a number of bomb blasts and conspiracies of terrorists," PM said.

About Mudhol Hounds: Also known as the Maratha Hound, the Pashmi Hound and the Kathewar Dog, Mudhol Hound is a breed of sighthound from India. It is bred at Mudhol in Bagalkot district of Karnataka.

The Kennel Club of India (KCI) and Indian National Kennel Club (INKC) recognise the breed under different breed names. The KCI registers it as a Caravan Hound while the INKC uses the name Mudhol Hound.

In 2005, the Mudhol Hound was one of four Indian dog breeds featured on a set of postage stamps released by the Indian Ministry of Communications and Information Technology to celebrate the country's canine heritage.

To preserve and promote indigenous breeds, the Canine Research and Information Centre was set up in Mudhol by the Karnataka Veterinary Animal and Fisheries Sciences University, (KVAFSU), Bidar. The institute breeds pure-bred Mudhol puppies and today they are popular everywhere. The institute has hugely credited for preserving this breed. For, from just mere 750 Mudhol hounds in 2010, today, the number has increased to many thousands.

Mudhol Hounds have been inducted into the Indian Army to guard the borders. In fact, this is for the first time that the Army is using the *desi* breed to keep vigil at the borders of Jammu and Kashmir.

While the Army's initiative is in tune with the Made-in-India approach, it has certainly brought back the focus on the lean-mean hounds that were once relegated to the agriculture fields and were on the verge of extinction.

Into The Wild With Bear Grylls

Bollywood actor Akshay Kumar tastes 'Elephant Poop Tea' at Bandipur

Bandipur, Sept. 1 (Agencies)- Actor Akshay Kumar shared the trailer of an upcoming episode of *Into The Wild With Bear Grylls,* in which he explored the wilderness with British adventurer Bear Grylls. "I visualised stiff challenges prior to Into The Wild... but Bear Grylls completely surprised me with the elephant poop tea. What a day," the 52-year-old actor tweeted.

In the trailer, the *Khiladi* star and Bear Grylls explore the Bandipur Tiger Reserve, cross crocodile-infested rivers and much more. A scene in which Akshay and Bear Grylls drink the infamous elephant poop tea also appears in the trailer — Bear Grylls throws it away after distracting Akshay. In the trailer, Akshay describes himself as the "reel hero" while he says Bear Grylls is a "real hero." Akshay added, "This whole adventure, I'll remember for the rest of my life."

Talking about the show, Akshay Kumar, who is known for his action-packed roles and adventure-seeking personality, told a news agency that its different than being on a movie set and added that the "sense of realism is overpowering." He said, "I have always admired Bear Grylls for his energy, passion and what he has stood for all these years. It was a humbling experience being with him in the wild as he went about unfolding one challenge after another."

Bear Grylls in turn had a lot to say about Akshay: "I did my homework prior to meeting Akshay, and knew he is a superstar, but what struck me the most during our time together, was his humility, his easy approach — he is, at heart, still that guy next door. Lots of commonalities between the two of us — including passion towards fitness, dedication to family et al, I really enjoyed being with him... Akshay's eyes lit-up with the mention of a new challenge and believe me, not many celebrities, across the world, have reacted so warmly to some harsh tasks that I can conjure."

Into The Wild With Bear Grylls featuring Akshay Kumar will premiere on Sept. 11 on *Discovery Plus App* and Sept.14 on *Discovery Channel.*

Subsidy for mushroom cultivation

Mysuru, Sept. 1- Zilla Panchayat (Horticulture) is providing Rs. 95,000 subsidy to build sheds for mushroom cultivation, under its Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme. For details, interested may contact Senior Deputy Director of Horticulture (ZP), Mysuru, Ph: 0821-2430450, HD Kote 08228-255262, Hunsur 08222-252447, KR Nagar 08223-262792, Nanjangud 08221-226201, Periyapatna 08223-273535 and T. Narsipur 08227-260086.

People continue to throng Town Hall for Rapid Antigen Test

Mysuru, Sept. 1 (RKB&DM)- With COVID-19 positive cases rising alarmingly in the city with each passing day, people, especially residents of prone and vulnerable areas, continue to throng the Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) centre at Town Hall, in the heart of the city to undergo the test voluntarily.

Other than Town Hall, Rapid Antigen Tests are being conducted on all days at K.R. Hospital, Makkala Koota premises in Krishnamurthypuram and Akkammanni Hospital in Chamundipuram from 10 am to 1.30 pm.

Yesterday, Rapid Antigen Test was conducted on 180 people, out of which 40 have tested positive for COVID-19. Those tested positive included a woman with a one-year-old child.

As the woman tested positive, her family members had kept her one-year-old child away from her since yesterday and took the child for testing today, where it was discovered that the child too had contracted the infection.

Just like yesterday, the Town Hall Centre witnessed a long queue of people who had voluntarily lined up for testing. The people had assembled at the Centre even before the centre was opened this morning.

As of noon today, over 100 people had undergone testing out of which 30 of them were reportedly found to be positive.

While Lab technicians collect the swab samples and conduct the tests, other staff document the reports whether the sample is positive or negative. Those testing positive are directed to isolate themselves till they are contacted by the Health Officials and follow their instructions.

Project clearing Excel Plant stench caught in tender quagmire

MLA Ramdas writes to MCC to stall tender process of Bioremediation project

Mysuru, Sept. 1 (RK, DM & BCT)- The desperate wait of over 50,000 residents living around the Solid Waste Management Unit (Excel Plant) at Sewage Farm premises in Vidyaranyapuram for relief from foul smell has just got longer as the project to clear the legacy waste is stuck in tender quagmire.

The residents are constantly tormented by the stench emanating from more than two lakh tonnes of legacy waste piled up at the unit. After much struggles and protests, the District Administration took a decision in January this year to go ahead with a Bioremediation (Bio-mining) project to clear the legacy waste that has been dumped since over 30 years.

Despite the efforts by the District Administration, the Bioremediation has failed to take off even after eight months of its planning as there is a delay in calling of tenders. The project has hit a roadblock due to an issue pertaining to awarding the project contract as a single tender. The outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic has only added to the delay.

Living in the surroundings of Excel Plant has become a horrible experience for thousands of residents with undesirable smell stench emanating out of the plant 24×7. Residents of Vidyaranyapuram, Kanakagiri, J.P. Nagar, Gundu Rao Nagar and Vishveshwaranagar have been demanding the relocation of the plant for years.

The suffering of the residents was brought to limelight when the BJP Government came to power in July last year. The then Mysuru District Minister V. Somanna, MP Pratap Simha and authorities from Mysuru City Corporation decided to implement Bioremediation project as a final solution.

Bioremediation is the best process

The then Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar, who had led a seven-member team to Maharashtra's Nagpur, submitted a report on the waste processing technology adopted by Zigma Company. The team had visited the plant at Bhandewadi village near Nagpur where Bioremediation technology is being used to process 10 lakh tonnes of legacy waste.

Pointing out that every day, nearly 1,200 tonnes of waste is generated in Nagpur out of which 800 tonnes are processed using Bioremediation technology, he said that the waste generated in Nagpur is three times bigger than Mysuru.

He argued that Bioremediation is the best process to clear the waste. Bioremediation is a process of treating contaminated soil and subsurface material, by altering environmental conditions to stimulate growth of micro-organisms and to degrade the target pollutants.

The issue was then brought to the notice of Minister Somanna and S.T. Somashekar who subsequently took over as Mysuru District Minister. A DPR (Detailed Project Report) on the execution of the project in Mysuru was prepared and the MCC Council approved it too. The MCC later sent the DPR to the Government, which accorded sanction for the project.

Agreement with the Nagpur-based company

The Urban Development Department entered into an agreement with the Nagpur-based company for disposal of waste at Sewage Farm and also finalised the tender. Instead of a single tender, the Urban Development Department, however, divided it into three parts – bio-remediation, transportation and disposal.

As per the project details, the Department has to give Rs.18 crore to the Nagpur-based company, out of which MUDA's contribution will be Rs.5 crore, MCC Rs.3 crore and the rest Rs. 10 crore will be paid by Government.

But even as the MCC was discussing the issue on converting the project as a single tender, the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic in March impeded the MCC from going ahead with the project, according to an MCC health officer.

MLA Ramdas writes to MCC

Now, Krishnaraja MLA S.A. Ramdas has written to the MCC asking it to stall the tender process and to execute the project in a totally different manner. This has reportedly put brakes on the MCC's plans of inviting tenders, sources said.

S.A. Ramdas

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, MLA Ramdas, acknowledging that he has indeed written the letter, said that the Government has already approved two waste disposal plants at Rayanakere and Kesare for which tenders are yet to be invited. "Once the tender process is complete and the works begin, the legacy waste at Sewage Farm can be shifted to the two plants and the Plant can be shut once all the waste is cleared from there," he said.

As soon as the Rayanakere and Kesare plants start functioning, the Bioremediation project at Sewage Farm can be taken up, he said. Defending his letter, Ramdas contended that taking up Rayanakere and Kesare waste disposal plants and Bioremediation project at Sewage Farm simultaneously would be chaotic. "I have proposed taking up of Rayanakere and Kesare projects on priority following which Bioremediation project can be taken up at Sewage Farm plant," he added.

Truck hits divider near Alanahalli

A truck (KA-19-AA-6920) carrying food items from T. Narasipur side rammed into the concrete road dividers on T. Narasipur Road near Alanahalli Ring Road after the driver lost control of the vehicle during rain last night. Siddarthanagar Traffic Inspector told Star of Mysore that the lorry has been damaged while the driver and cleaner escaped without injuries. The Inspector further said that another truck was summoned this noon and the food items were shifted. The damaged truck was cleared from the road for smooth movement of traffic.

Nation mourns Pranab Mukherjee

(Continued from page 1)

Last rites held

The last rites of Pranab Mukherjee was held at the crematorium on Lodhi Street here this afternoon.

Earlier, President Ram Nath Kovind, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Vice-President M. Venkaiah Naidu, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla, Chief of Defence Staff Gen Bipin Rawat, the Chiefs of three services, Congress leaders, Rahul Gandhi, Adhir Ranjan Choudhary, Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal were among those important personalities who paid homage to the former President.

After the VVIPs paid their homage, the general public was allowed to have the last glimpse of the 'People's President.'

Owing to the COVID-19 related protocols, the mortal remains of Mukherjee will proceed in a hearse van instead of the normal gun carriage reserved for a former Head of State, according to a release from Home Ministry.

[See also page-9]

Chronology of former President

December 11, 1935: Born in West Bengal.

- Did MA (History), MA (Political Sciences), LLB, D.Litt from Calcutta University.
- Joined as clerk at Posts & Telegraph Department.
- Joined as lecturer in Vidyasagar College.
- **January 13, 1957:** Married to Suvra Mukherjee.
- **1952 to 1964:** Nominated to Legislative Assembly in West Bengal.
- **1969:** Got elected to Rajya Sabha from Congress Party for first time.
- **1973:** Became a Minister in Indira Gandhi Cabinet.
- **1982-84:** Served as Union Finance Minister.
- **1986-89:** Launched Rashtriya Samajvadi Congress Party.
- **1989:** Merger of RSCP into the Congress.
- **1991:** Appointed as Planning Commission Chairman.
- **1995:** Worked as External Affairs Minister in P.V. Narasimha Rao Government.
- **2004:** Got elected to Lok Sabha for first time.
- **2004-06:** Worked as Defence Minister.
- **2006-09:** Worked as External Affairs Minister.
- **2009-12:** Served as Union Finance Minister.
- **2012:** Elected as 13th President of India.
- **2019:** Received highest civilian award, *Bharat Ratna.*

August 31, 2020: Passed away after a brief illness.

Animated documentaries on Suttur Mutt released

Winners of Quiz Contest to get cash prizes and merit certificate

Mysuru, Sept. 1- On the occasion of 105th Jayanti Mahotsava of Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji, which was held on Aug. 29, two animated documentaries 'Suttur Sri Mutt - Guruparampara' and 'The Heritage of Sri Suttur Mutt' were released and telecasted later in the evening.

Over 3,500 persons watched the direct telecast, following which quiz programme was held based on the animated documentaries. A total of 580 persons participated in Kannada quiz contest and the following participants have won the prizes: **A.M. Kushal,** a 9th standard student of JSS Public School, Chamarajanagar has bagged the first prize; **K.N. Sarvesh Kumar,** 8th standard student of JSS Public School, Siddarthanagar bagged the second prize; **M. Neethi,** Assistant Professor working for SJCE - third prize; **B.S. Vinutha,** teacher, working in JSS Public School, Siddarthanagar - fourth prize and **R. Mala,** a B.Com student studying at Mattur village near Shivamogga bagged the fifth prize.

A total of 898 persons participated in the English quiz contest. **Saroja Ramaswamy,** an 83-year-old housewife from HSR Layout, Bengaluru, has bagged the first prize; **Dr. H.M. Akshay,** Assistant Professor working for JSS Medical College, bagged the second prize; **M. Smrithi,** a first standard student studying in JSS Public School, HSR Layout, Bengaluru - third prize; **Kirtana Chetan,** eighth standard student from the same school - fourth prize and **K.P. Srisowmi,** tenth standard student of JSS Public School, Chamarajanagar, bagged the fifth prize.

Winners will be awarded with a cash prize of Rs. 5,000 for the first prize, Rs. 4,000 for the second, Rs. 3,000 for the third, Rs. 2,000 for the fourth and Rs. 1,000 for the fifth place along with a merit certificate.

Free Eye and vision screening

Mysuru, Sept. 1- Annapoorna Eye Hospital's Hootagalli, Kalidasa Road and Hebbal branches have arranged free eye and vision screening for cataract identification and other vision problems from Sept. 2 to Sept. 12 between 10 am and 8 pm.

For those having cataract, surgery will be done at special prices under all safety measures. Those interested may call Mob: 88844-88262 or Ph: 0821-2953658 or 4262255.

Power disruption tomorrow

Mysuru, Sept. 1- Owing to emergency maintenance works, power supply will be disrupted tomorrow between 10 am and 6 pm in the following areas:

Jodi Basaveshwara Road, Kuvempunagar D, G and H Blocks, Udayaravi Road, Amma Complex, Vidyavardhaka School and surrounding areas, according to a press release from CESC.

Obituary

G.A. Chandrakamalamma

Mysuru, Sept. 1- G.A. Chandrakamalamma (89), wife of late G.S. Anandaraj and a resident of Moksha Marga in Siddarthanagar, passed away this morning at her residence.

She leaves behind two daughters, two sons, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Chirashantidhama in Gokulam here this afternoon.

City Congress pays tribute to former President

Mysuru, Sept. 1 (PM&KS)- City Congress unit paid tributes to former President of India Pranab Mukherjee, who passed away yesterday, by observing silence for a minute and offering floral tributes to the portrait of the late President at Congress Bhavan, near City Railway Station here this morning.

Speaking on the occasion, former MP R. Dhruvanarayan said that the late President was one of the greatest politicians of the country and added that his death is a tremendous loss to the nation.

He further said that late Pranab Mukherjee never had a black spot in his 50 year political career and added that the former President has brought in many people-friendly schemes when he was the Finance Minister.

City Congress President R. Murthy, District President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar, KPCC Women's Wing State President Dr. Pushpa Amaranth, former Mayor Ayub Khan and others were present.

Congress: Exploding from within?

Point of VIEW

T.J.S. George

There was a storm in the Congress teacup last week. It re-established two facts. One, that there is a section of Congressmen who now see the Gandhi family's hold on the party as unhealthy. Two, that they are not strong enough to prevail. Hangers-on of the family, benefiting from being hangers-on, dominate the party. They still argue that only the Gandhis can hold the party together. Alas, that is true. Fatally true.

Considering that background, perhaps what we saw last week was more than a storm in a teacup. By Congress standards, it was equivalent to a typhoon in the Pacific that 23 senior leaders found the courage to write to Sonia Gandhi asking for the election of a functional, effective, full-time Party President. There are many more who share the sentiments of the 23.

The signatories do not include mass leaders. That is because there are no mass leaders in the Congress today. But the 23 included leaders of stature whose loyalty to the Congress was never in doubt. People like Kapil Sibal, Gulam Nabi Azad, Anand Sharma, Ashok Chavan, Shashi Tharoor have served the party well.

Rahul Gandhi showed a mixture of immaturity and arrogance when he suggested that these people were in line with the BJP. Sonia Gandhi was wiser when she said that she would leave the President's chair and gave fellow leaders six months to elect a new President. If Rahul fails to see the negative implications of his approach, the problems facing the Congress will hold the party back for the foreseeable future.

Given the tradition of family dominance in the party, Congressmen may end up electing, who else, Rahul Gandhi. If he is properly elected, he will at least have a legitimacy that would seem more authentic than the present qualification, pedigree. Therefore the initiative taken by, shall we say, the Gang of 23 should be welcomed as a positive development. But the opportunity was cast aside by the so-called "loyalists" in the Working Committee who are now putting together a "counter-attack" plan.

Their approach is erratic as indeed is Rahul's own handling of the matter. Together they made it abundantly clear that all key decisions would be taken by the family. There was no attempt, even for formality's sake, to show that democratic procedures would be followed. Nor was there any indication of a time-frame within which things would be sorted out. Rahul seemed unwilling to take on the Presidentship formally, but he wouldn't let a dummy be appointed either. The Gang of 23 was outnumbered, surrounded and disowned at the Working Committee meeting. Another small win for Rahul, another big loss for the Congress.

Perhaps Capt. G.R. Gopinath (of Air Deccan-fame) put it a bit melodramatically when he said that "a national party was hijacked by an effete dynasty propped up by self-serving, fawning courtiers... now reduced to a vanguard of one family of dwarfs, surrounded by a coterie of midgets." The party is caught in what wrestlers call a vise grip. At a seven-hour meeting, the Working Committee could only decide to leave matters where they are. Sonia will remain "interim" President until an AICC meeting is called "at the earliest." In short, mixture as before.

> **"Couldn't A.K. Antony do more? At a time when the Presidentship of the party has become a matter of internal discussion, won't he be a wise choice for the post? He is above sectarian labelling and has an all-India profile, having been Defence Minister. Dearth of capable leaders is not the problem worrying the Congress. The problem is whether it has the political wisdom to do what has to be done. If men like Antony and Mallikarjun Kharge are not made use of, the price the Congress will have to pay will be high."**

So what will happen to the Gang of 23? Some of them are so senior that it would not be easy to "punish" them. But wounds would not heal easily. Even the mild-mannered, never-controversial A.K. Antony used a strong word like "cruel" to describe the action of the 23.

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Mallikarjun Kharge is just as credible a name for the party's captainship. His status above factionalism, his record in Parliament and his stature in his home State make him a fine candidate for the top post.

Dearth of capable leaders is not the problem worrying the Congress. The problem is whether it has the political wisdom to do what has to be done. If men like Antony and Kharge are not made use of, the price the Congress will have to pay will be high. Except in a one-leader party like the BJP, things happen not with a bang but a whimper. T.S. Eliot's poem which made that phrase famous was titled *The Hollow Men.* In 1925, he could foresee the leaders of 2020.

SNIFF OUT THE 'H' WORDS

H	T	H	U	R	R	Y	H
O	A	F	G	Y	Z	U	T
R	T	N	B	H	R	E	Y
S	I	H	D	T	M	D	R
E	B	P	E	L	O	I	G
H	A	O	E	A	E	H	N
M	H	H	Y	E	R	O	U
Y	E	N	O	H	I	T	H

Can you find all the words starting with 'H' in the puzzle? You must look up, down, left, right and diagonally to find them.

The words to look for are:

HABITAT
HANDLE
HEALTHY
HEART
HELMET
HIDE
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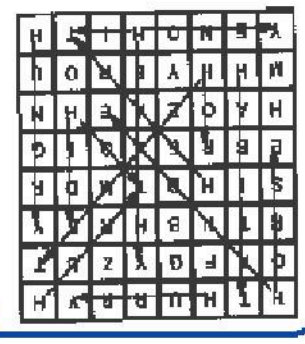
HORSE
HOT
HUNGRY
HURRY
HURT

Solution



PAWS FOR A RIDDLE

Knock, knock.
Who's there?
Mischa.
Mischa who?
Mischa a lot!

What's a very popular perfume?

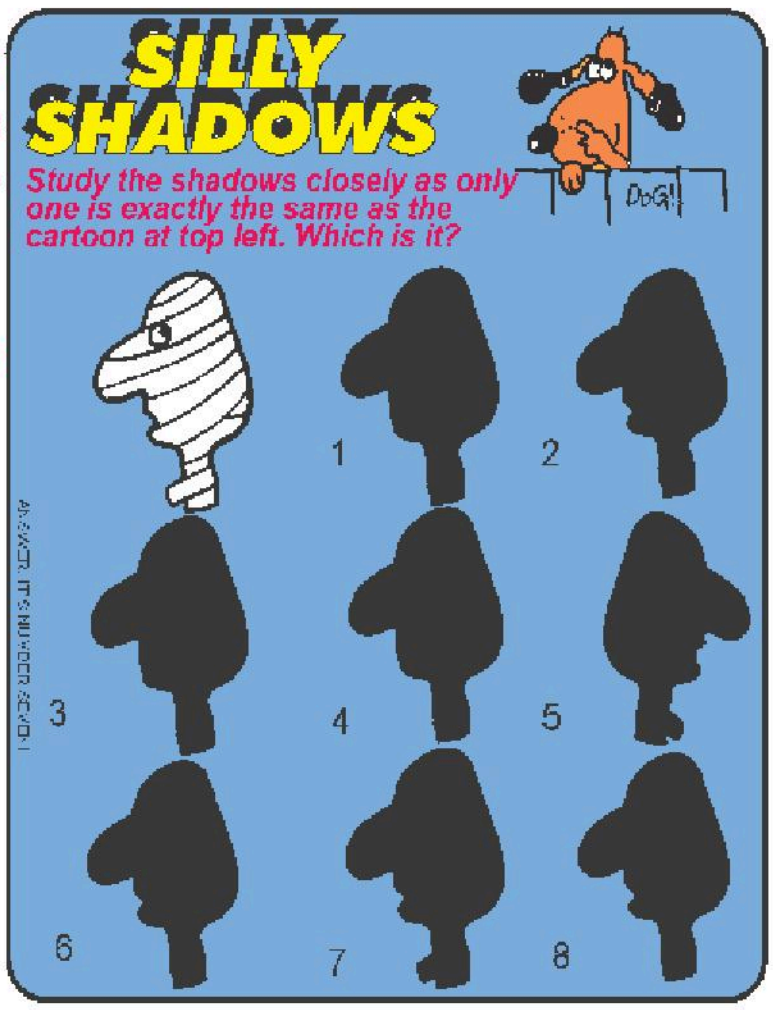
A best smeller!

What did the pin say to the balloon?

'Hi ya Buster!'

SILLY SHADOWS

Study the shadows closely as only one is exactly the same as the cartoon at top left. Which is it?



Pranab Mukherjee dies at 84

New Delhi, Sept. 1- Former President and *Bharat Ratna*, Pranab Mukherjee passed away last evening after prolonged illness. He was 84. Mukherjee is survived by two sons and a daughter. His wife had died in 2015.

The Central Government has announced a seven-day State mourning from Aug. 31 to Sept. 6 and the National Flag will fly at half-mast on buildings across India. He served as the 13th President of India from July 25, 2012 to 25 July 2017.

He was elected to Rajya Sabha five times and twice to Lok Sabha. In 2019, Pranab Mukherjee was awarded India's highest civilian honour, the *Bharat Ratna*.

Mukherjee was admitted to the Army's Research and Referral Hospital in Delhi Cantonment on Aug. 10 and was operated the same day for removal of a clot in his brain. He later developed a lung infection and he breathed his last yesterday.

In this May 28, 2019 file photo, late Pranab Mukherjee feeds sweets to Prime Minister Narendra Modi at his residence in New Delhi. PM Modi had stopped by Mukherjee's residence before taking oath as PM for a second term. *Picture right:* ***President Ram Nath Kovind confers 'Bharat Ratna' — the highest civilian award in the country — on former President Pranab Mukherjee during a ceremony at Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi on Aug. 8, 2019. Bharat Ratna is the highest civilian honour, given for exceptional service towards advancement of Art, Literature and Science, and in recognition of public service of the highest order.*** *[Pic. courtesy: Internet]*

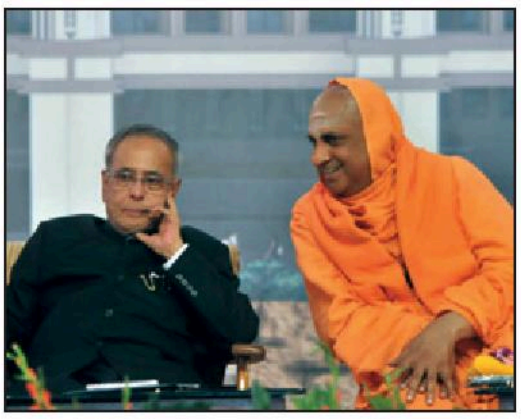
Fondly called 'Pranab Da' by his peers and friends, Mukherjee was born on Dec. 11, 1935 in Birbhum district, West Bengal. He completed Masters in Political Science and History and LLB degree from University of Calcutta.

It all started when Indira Gandhi spotted him during a by-election in Midnapore where he was V.K. Krishna Menon's election agent. She brought Mukherjee into the Congress and initiated his Parliamentary journey through the Rajya Sabha in 1969. He was a member of the Congress Working Committee for 23 years.

Mukherjee became India's youngest Finance Minister in 1982 at the age of 47. From 2004, he went on to head three crucial Ministries — External Affairs, Defence and Finance — and became the first occupant of the Rashtrapati Bhavan to have this distinction.

A tough taskmaster, avid reader and history aficionado, Mukherjee ensured that he leaves his mark on the Presidency. Mukherjee was known to have generously shared his experience with others, cutting across party lines.

Pranab Mukherjee in Mysuru as President



Pranab Mukherjee, who was in Mysuru as the President, to inaugurate the new building of JSS Hospital on Sept. 23, 2013, is seen with Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji.

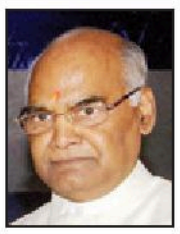
Picture right: ***A file photo of Pranab Mukherjee at Chamundi Hill Temple in Mysuru, when he was in city as the President, to inaugurate the Centenary Celebrations of the University of Mysore on July 27, 2015. The traditional Nadaswara artistes of the Temple under the supervision of Chief Priest Shashishekar Dixit had ushered Mukherjee, who was attired in silk dhoti and shawl, into the temple. He was accompanied by Governor Vajubhai R. Vala, then Chief Minister Siddharamaiah and a host of other dignitaries.*** *[Courtesy: Internet]*

A file photo of the then President Pranab Mukherjee during the inauguration of the 17th National Jamboree of Scouts and Guides, which was held at Adakanahalli, off the Mysuru-Nanjangud Highway, from Dec. 29, 2016 to Jan. 4, 2017.

A memorable moment

Dr. C. Chandrashekar, former Commissioner of Police, Mysuru and retired Commissioner, Department of Information and Publicity, has remembered a memorable moment with Pranab Mukherjee. When Karnataka's tableau 'Sri Gomateshwara' of Shravanabelagola bagged first prize in Republic Day Parade (Delhi) in 2005, the then Defence Minister, Pranab Mukherjee had distributed the award at a function held on Feb.2. The award was a tall 'Ashoka Pillar.' Despite restriction on carrying such mementoes in flight, he got the special permission to take it. After showing the memento to the then CM N. Dharam Singh, he got prepared a replica before handing over the original award to the Department concerned in Delhi. This was the only time that Karnataka had won the first prize, recalls Dr. Chandrashekar while condoling the tall leader's death.

Condolences



"Sad to hear that former President Pranab Mukherjee is no more. His demise is passing of an era. A colossus in public life, he served Mother India with the spirit of a sage. The nation mourns losing one of its worthiest sons. Condolences to his family, friends and all citizens."

— President Ram Nath Kovind

"India grieves the passing away of Bharat Ratna Shri Pranab Mukherjee. He has left an indelible mark on the development trajectory of our nation. A scholar par excellence, a towering statesman, he was admired across the political spectrum and by all sections of society."

— Prime Minister Narendra Modi

"India has lost an illustrious patriot. Pranab Mukherjee had a close connection with JSS and had participated in the inauguration of JSS Multi-Speciality Hospital. Started his career as a political sciences lecturer in West Bengal, he was elected to Rajya Sabha for four times since 1969. He had held important portfolios Defence, Finance and External Affairs. He got elected to Lok Sabha in 2004 and worked as House Leader. In his death, the nation has lost a great personality. May god give strength to his family members to bear his loss."

— Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji

WORD OF THE DAY

Estival

Pronunciation: ESS-tuh-vu.
Meaning: Of or relating to the summer.
Origin: Estival and festival look so much alike that you might think they're very closely related, but that isn't the case. Estival traces back to aestas, which is the Latin word for "summer" (and which also gave us estivate, a verb for spending the summer in a torpid state—a sort of hot-weather equivalent of hibernating). Festival also comes from Latin, but it has a different and unrelated root. It derives from festivus, a term that means "festive" or "merry." Festivus is also the ancestor of festive and festivity as well as the much rarer festivous (which also means "festive") and infestive ("not merry, mirthless").
Example: "As an estival nod, fresh summer daisies bedecked the tables that were covered with blue, white and red linens, the order of the French colors." — Nell Nolan

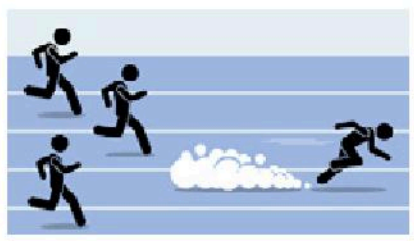
THE ODD WORD

Eburnean

Of or like ivory; ivory-coloured.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Eat my dust



Meaning: People use the expression eat my dust when they feel confident about outperforming their opponent at something.
Origin: The origin of the phrase "eat my dust" likely comes from racing and the fact that when people run, they might kick up dirt, or dust, into the air as they go (kind of like in the picture above). The type of terrain matters for this. For example, people running on a concrete road probably aren't going to kick up any noticeable dirt into the air. On the other hand, people running on a dirt road might.
The imagery for this expression typically involves a person running in a race. The leading racer is sprinting and dust is being kicked up behind him. The slower racers lagging behind end up passing through this dust and breathe it in. In effect, they are "eating" the leading racer's dust.
So... how old is this phrase? The earliest I could find it in print is from a newspaper called The World's News, January 1909. There's a short story from in this newspaper titled "John—Cowboy," and a couple characters from the story exchange these words:
"'Can you keep up?'
'Keep up? You-all will eat my dust,' shrilled the boy, in a fever of excitement, and boastful.".

QUOTE BOX

You may write me down in history with your bitter, twisted lines. You may trod me in the very dirt, but still, like dust, I'll rise. **—Maya Angelou**

RIDDLE THIS

Which letter of the alphabet has the most water?

Answer : C.

SUDOKU

6					5		9	
				7		3	5	
					1			4
			1	2				8
		9				2		
7				4	3			
1			2					
	9	7		3				
	3		8					5

Answer to previous puzzle

6	1	9	2	3	4	8	7	5
3	8	4	1	7	5	2	6	9
5	7	2	6	8	9	1	4	3
1	9	6	7	5	2	4	3	8
8	5	7	4	6	3	9	1	2
4	2	3	9	1	8	7	5	6
2	3	8	5	4	1	6	9	7
7	4	5	8	9	6	3	2	1
9	6	1	3	2	7	5	8	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Distance Measuring Equip.
4 Indian wrestling great ___ Singh
8 The Duchess of Cambridge
12 Everyone or everything
13 By mouth
14 Burlesqued
15 Get off a horse
17 Discover or unearth
18 Poetic feet of one kind
19 Fabia manufacturers
20 Tata's one lakh Rs car
22 Main artery
24 A market place in ancient Greece
26 __ West : life-jacket?
27 Acc. Standards Board
30 High-pitched
32 Sound system
34 Thomas Alva Edison's initials
35 French article
37 Growl angrily
38 Hinge
40 Famous cricket ground
41 English county
44 Birthplace of Mohammed
46 City on the Oka - "lore" anagram?
47 Brochure
50 Stagger or sway
51 Airline Pilots Assoc.
52 Long playing records, in short
53 Lively or flippant
54 Eggs of insects
55 Wrath or anger

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

M	I	S	T	■	O	P	S	■	R	A	G	E
I	D	E	A	■	P	R	O	F	I	L	E	S
D	E	R	M	A	T	O	L	O	G	I	S	T
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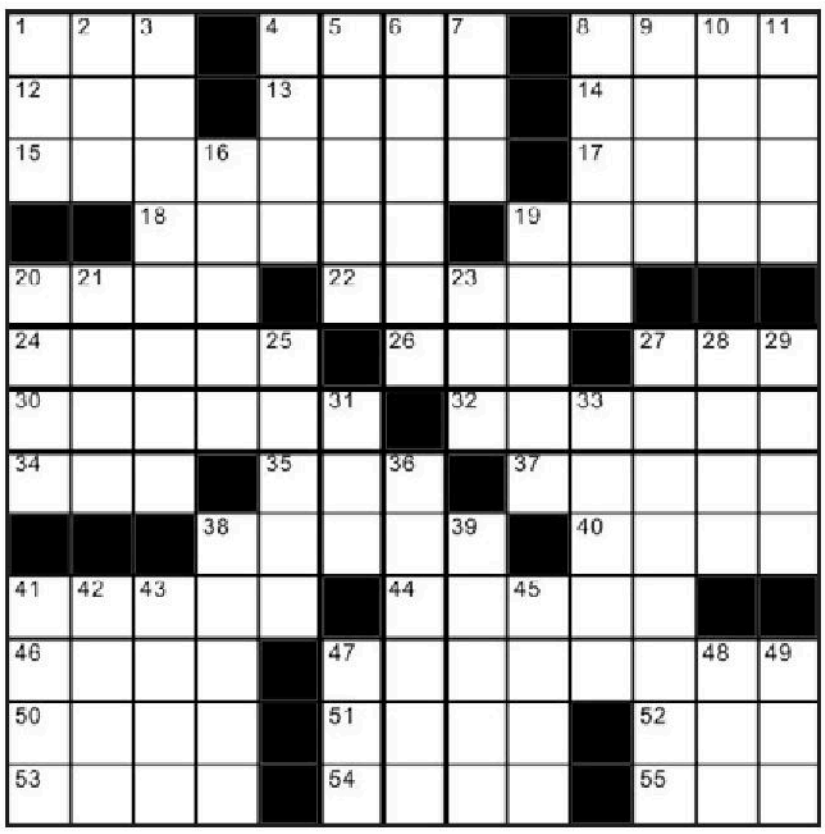
■	■	■	R	C	B	■	■	L	U	N	G	E
R	A	A	■	O	R	A	T	O	R	I	E	S
A	L	L	■	M	A	C	A	W	■	S	A	P
S	A	L	T	P	E	T	R	E	■	T	R	Y
P	E	A	R	L	■	■	A	D	S	■	■	■
■	■	L	E	I	A	■	■	U	N	I	F	Y
C	R	O	S	S	P	U	R	P	O	S	E	S
N	U	N	C	H	A	K	U	■	R	I	T	E
S	E	G	O	■	E	E	N	■	T	S	A	R

DOWN

1 Father or papa
2 1051 in Roman numerals
3 "Hamlet" hamlet!
4 Adverse fate or destiny
5 Caribbean island - "Au Bar" anagram?
6 Money paid for release of a hostage
7 High-pitched - "lat" anagram?
8 Renowned Czech writer
9 Peruvian carrot
10 Care for or lean toward
11 Norse poems
16 New Zealand native
19 Proofer's notations
20 Political cartoonist Thomas
21 Turkish title
23 Ethiopian prince
25 Exhausted commonly (3-2)
27 Indian mountain range
28 Antitoxins
29 Cotton pod
31 Monetary unit of Bulgaria
33 Methuselah's father
36 Mogadishu resident
38 Name for parrot
39 Lure astray
41 "Road" anagram for a girl's name?
42 Able was I, ___ __ saw Elba? (3,1)
43 Turn off course
45 Cert. Public. Accts.
47 Vessel for frying
48 Engine Pressure Ratio
49 "Set" anagram twice repeated for a poisonous fly



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

QIHQDI VKI QIHQDI, JIUUF VGY JNBVODI,

RHJOTGTGP YTWWIKIGBDF ATBZ HGI VGHBZIK

WKHJ YVF BH YVF - ISIG ZHNK BH ZHNK.

TODAY'S CLUE: Q EQUALS P

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Everything happens to everybody sooner or later if there is time enough.

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Plea to control stray dog menace at Rajivnagar

Stray dog menace is increasing day-by-day behind Bawa Medicals at Rajivnagar causing a lot of problems to the public as well as residents. Residents allege that the stray dogs chase children who go out to play and also chase moving vehicles besides barking continuously during night. Residents have urged the authorities concerned to take steps to control the menace caused by stray dogs at the earliest.

Will this barricade be removed from the drain at Vijayanagar?

A barricade thrown into a drain at Vijayanagar 2nd Stage near Madegowda Circle about four months ago is not removed from the drain, allege public. They said that the barricade was placed on the road when an elected representative had come to launch the road works in the month of March and after a few days, some miscreants had thrown the barricade into the big drain and it is still there. The public have urged the authorities concerned to take steps to get the barricade removed from the drain at the earliest.

Mysuru New Goods Terminal carries out Routine Overhaul of BOXN type wagons

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Mysuru, Sept. 1- Mysuru New Goods Terminal (MNGT) Wagon Depot of South Western Railway (SWR), Mysuru Division, carries out Routine Overhaul (ROH) of BOXN type wagons for the first time. MNGT had the capacity for Routine Overhauling of 30 wagons in a month; Now, after successfully taking up this new challenge, capacity has been increased to 50 per month.

Routine Overhauling (ROH) of high-capacity Broad Gauge freight wagons for transportation of bagged consignments (BCN), low platform container flat wagons (BLC), flat wagons for rails and steel products (BRN) and open hopper car with side bottom discharge for stone, track ballast, etc. (BOBYN) are undertaken in the wagon depot at Mysuru New Goods Terminal (MNGT).

In a first, the wagon depot carried out the ROH of the high-sided open wagon used for transportation of coal and ores (BOXN) in August, 2020 and in the process, became the only second ROH point on SWR after Hospet.

In the changing dynamics of high-quality maintenance practices, the wagon depot at the MNGT has risen to the challenge to liquidate the overdue coaches.

BOXN wagons on the Indian Railway system are used for transportation of over 60% (approximately 650 million tonnes) of the total freight traffic annually and as such keeping them in fine fettle, by following standard maintenance practices, is very critical.

'Wagon Turn Round' (WTR), which represents the average period in which a particular wagon completes its average loaded trip and after which it again becomes available for loading), is one of the important efficiency indices of the Railways and therefore the lesser the WTR, the better is the performance of the Railways.

In this context, rolling out of BOXN wagons after ROH schedule in the stipulated time-frame of 3-4 weeks is an uphill task but the wagon depot has transformed this challenge into an opportunity.

Despite several limitations, the wagon depot successfully carried out the ROH of the first BOXN wagon in August 2020 through meticulous planning and optimal utilisation of manpower.

Santhi Babu, Sr. Divisional Mechanical Engineer, SWR, Mysuru Division, was the driving force behind this stupendous work and was ably assisted by S.S. Lodhi, Coaching Depot Officer and H.S. Shivakumar, Sr. Section Engineer, Carriage & Wagon, MNGT.

The wagon depot has already completed ROH of three BOXN wagons, fully meeting the statutory maintenance regimen by procuring spares from the adjacent ROH points and more importantly by sharing the intricacies of the processes and procedures involved with the established ROH points.

SWR principally deals with bulk transportation of loose commodities like iron ore and coal in BOXN wagons and the demand for supply of wagons of this type is always high. Therefore, the new facility created at the wagon depot of the MNGT is all set to play a major role in attending to the ROH schedules in a strict timeline.

The resolute spirit shown by the entire team in accepting this and showing success in an unchartered area, in a short time is highly commendable and is another step in Divisional self reliance, according to a press release from Priya Shetty, Divisional Commercial Manager and PRO.

VIRTUAL EVENTS TOMORROW (SEPT. 2)

JSS Prasada Nilayagala Hiriya Vidyarthigala Gruha Nirmana Sahakara Sangha, Gangothri Layout, Mysuru and Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Nagar, Varuna: Digital event, 105th Jayanti of Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji, inauguration of the entrance along with a bust of the late Seer and laying of foundation stone for Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Anubhava Mantapa at Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Nagar, T. Narasipur Road, Varuna; Live-streaming on YouTube *(http://Youtube.com/c/JSSMahavidyapeethaonline)*, Facebook *(https://www.facebook.com/JSSMVP)* and JSS website *(http://jssonline.org)*, **9.30 am.**

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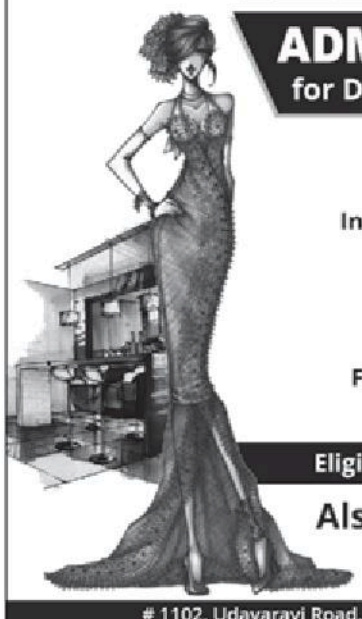

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